

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. – 10. (cancelled)

11. (currently amended) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim ~~[[10]]~~ 18, further comprising a trapeze base frame having a two-point mounting configuration.

12. (original) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim 11, wherein said trapeze base frame includes a pivotally mounted trapeze boom.

13. (currently amended) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim ~~[[10]]~~ 18, further comprising at least one load cell mounted between said wheels and said main frame, ~~said at least one load cell adapted to provide a weight of the bariatric patient management system.~~

14. (currently amended) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim ~~[[10]]~~ 18, wherein said main frame includes an extensible end pull out extension to increase a length of the mattress supporting surface.

15. (currently amended) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim ~~[[10]]~~ 18, wherein said actuators are at least one of a push ~~[[type]]~~ actuator and a pull ~~[[type]]~~ actuator.

16. (currently amended) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim ~~[[10]]~~ 18, wherein said actuators are electric ~~[[type]]~~ actuators.

17. (currently amended) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim ~~[[10]]~~ 18, wherein said actuators are hydraulic ~~[[type]]~~ actuators.

18. (currently amended) A bariatric patient management system comprising:
a main frame having a first end and a second end;
a backrest section disposed on said main frame adjacent the first end, said
backrest section including at least one backrest panel, a backrest side pull
out extension slidably disposed in a side of the backrest section, and a
backrest actuator linked to said backrest section to selectively cause an
inclination of said backrest panel;
a middle section disposed on said main frame adjacent said backrest section,
said middle section including at least one middle panel and a middle side
pull out extension slidably disposed in a side of the middle section;
a leg section disposed on said main frame adjacent said middle section, said leg
section including at least one leg panel, a leg side pull out extension slidably
disposed in a side of the leg section, and a leg actuator linked to said leg
section to selectively cause an inclination of said leg panel;
a foot section disposed on said main frame adjacent the leg section and the
second end of said main frame, said foot section including at least one foot
panel, a foot side pull out extension slidably disposed in a side of the foot
section, and a foot actuator linked to said foot section to selectively cause an
inclination of said foot panel relative said frame; and
ground engaging wheels disposed on said main frame to facilitate a transporting
of the bariatric patient management system,
wherein the backrest panel, the middle panel, the leg panel, and the foot panel
cooperating cooperate to form a mattress supporting surface, and
~~a backrest side pull out extension slidably disposed in a side of the backrest
section;~~
~~a middle side pull out extension slidably disposed in a side of the middle section;~~
~~a leg side pull out extension slidably disposed in a side of the leg section;~~
~~a foot side pull out extension slidably disposed in a side of the foot section;~~ said
backrest side pull out extension, said middle side pull out extension, said leg
side pull out extension, and said foot side pull out extension ~~cooperating~~
cooperate to selectively increase a width of the mattress supporting
surface[[:]]

~~a plurality of ground engaging wheels disposed on said main frame to facilitate a transporting of the bariatric patient management system;~~
~~a backrest actuator linked to said backrest section, an actuation of said backrest actuator causing an inclination of said backrest section;~~
~~a leg actuator linked to said leg section, an actuation of said leg actuator causing an inclination of said leg section;~~
~~a foot actuator linked to said foot section, an actuation of said foot actuator causing an inclination of said foot section.~~

19. (original) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim 18, wherein said main frame includes a telescoping end pull out extension to increase a length of the mattress supporting surface.

20. (original) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim 18, further comprising at least one load cell mounted between said wheels and said main frame.

21. (new) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim 11, wherein the trapeze base frame includes a pair of outwardly extending arms.

22. (new) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim 12, wherein the trapeze base frame includes a plurality of apertures formed therein, a spring loaded locking pin selectively cooperating with one of the plurality of apertures to lock the trapeze boom in a desired position.

23. (new) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim 18, including a motor to cause rotation of at least one of the wheels.

24. (new) The bariatric patient management system according to Claim 20, wherein the main frame includes a hollow member supporting the load cell.

25. (new) A bariatric patient management system comprising:

- a main frame having a first end and a second end;
- a trapeze base frame having a two-point mounting configuration disposed on said main frame adjacent the first end;
- a backrest section disposed on said main frame adjacent the first end, said backrest section including at least one backrest panel, a backrest side pull out extension slidingly disposed in a side of the backrest section, and a backrest actuator linked to said backrest section to selectively cause an inclination of said backrest panel;
- a middle section disposed on said main frame adjacent said backrest section, said middle section including at least one middle panel and a middle side pull out extension slidingly disposed in a side of the middle section;;
- a leg section disposed on said main frame adjacent said middle section, said leg section including at least one leg panel, a leg side pull out extension slidingly disposed in a side of the leg section, and a leg actuator linked to said leg section to selectively cause an inclination of said leg panel;
- a foot section disposed on said main frame adjacent the leg section and the second end of said main frame, said foot section including at least one foot panel, a foot side pull out extension slidingly disposed in a side of the foot section, and a foot actuator linked to said foot section to selectively cause an inclination of said foot panel relative said frame;
- ground engaging wheels disposed on said main frame to facilitate a transporting of the bariatric patient management system; and
- at least one load cell mounted between one of said wheels and said main frame, wherein the backrest panel, the middle panel, the leg panel, and the foot panel cooperate to form a mattress supporting surface, and said backrest side pull out extension, said middle side pull out extension, said leg side pull out extension, and said foot side pull out extension cooperate to selectively increase a width of the mattress supporting surface.